

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A disc drive suspension comprising:

a base plate;

a load beam having a proximal portion with the base plate fixed thereon and a distal end portion;

5 a flexure fixed on the load beam and having a head portion thereon;

an extending portion provided on a side of the proximal portion of the load beam and having a part of the flexure fixed thereon; and

10 a step forming portion formed between the extending portion and the proximal portion.

2. A suspension according to claim 1, wherein said step forming portion has a difference in level to ensure the flexure fixed on the extending portion is not situated on the extension of the surface of the proximal portion.